

**Amendment No. 2 to HB2906**

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**AMEND Senate Bill No. 3307**

**House Bill No. 2906\***

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 36-3-617, is amended by deleting the section in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, no petitioner shall be required to bear the costs, including any court costs, filing fees, litigation taxes or any other costs, associated with the filing, issuance, registration, service, appeal or enforcement of an ex parte order of protection, order of protection, or a petition for either such order, whether issued inside or outside the state. If the court, after the hearing, issues or extends an order of protection, all court costs, filing fees, litigation taxes and attorney fees shall be assessed against the respondent.

(b)

(1) The clerk of the court may provide order of protection petition forms to agencies that provide domestic violence assistance.

(2) Any agency that meets with a victim in person and recommends that an order of protection be sought shall assist the victim in the completion of the form petition for filing with the clerk.

(3) No agency shall be required to provide this assistance unless it has been provided with the appropriate forms by the clerk.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring.